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Bill No. 5252

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

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An Act Concerning State Supplement Benefits For Disabled Persons Sharing A Residence With A Person Providing Transfer Assistance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall,
2 within available appropriations, establish a pilot program to provide
3 additional financial benefits for persons with severe physical
4 disabilities (1) who are unable to transfer independently, (2) who apply
5 for or receive aid under the state supplement program, and (3) who
6 reside with a person who provides transfer assistance to such persons.
7 Benefits shall be provided under the program only if the person
8 providing such transfer assistance is not related to the person with a
9 severe physical disability. Under the program, payments shall be made
10 in an amount equal to the amount of the increased benefit the person
11 would receive under the state supplement program if the person
12 providing such transfer assistance were not living with the person
13 with a severe physical disability.

14 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall adopt regulations in

15 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes to
16 administer the program established under subsection (a) of this
17 section. Said commissioner may implement the program while in the
18 process of adopting such regulations, provided notice of intent to
19 adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal
20 within twenty days after implementation.

21 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]